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: COLOR COMBING OPTICAL SYSTEM, IMAGE PROJECTION

OPTICAL SYSTEM, AND PROJECTION TYPE IMAGE DISPLAY

APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to a substantive examination on the merits, please amend the aboveidentified application as indicated below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 11 and 12 as follows:

- 11. (amended) A system according to claim 9, wherein said color combining prism comprises three prisms.
- 12. (amended) A system according to claim 9, wherein said color combining prism comprises four prisms.

Please add the following new claims:

- 25. (new) A system according to claim 10, wherein said color combining prism comprises three prisms.
- 26. (new) A system according to claim 10, wherein said color combining prism comprises four prisms.

REMARKS

New claims have been presented to better describe the invention and eliminate multiple dependent claims. No new matter has been added to the application as a result of this amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-4750.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mailing Address: MORGAN & FINNEGAN, L.L.P. 345 Park Avenue New York, New York, 10154 (212)748-4800 Telephone (212)751-6849 Telecopier Please add the following new claims:

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APPENDIX

(Amended Claims Showing Changes Made)

- 11. (amended) A system according to claim 9 [or 10], wherein said color combining prism comprises three prisms.
- 12. (amended) A system according to claim 9 [or 10], wherein said color combining prism comprises four prisms.

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